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Public Act 51 Agencies, Regional and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (RPA/MPOs) and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)

# RE: TAMC Kicks Off 2022 with a New Strategic Work Program, Policy Updates and Training Opportunities Announced

Dear Transportation Agency Partners,

This letter is an update from the Transportation Asset Management Council (TAMC) to announce the new three-year strategic work program as well as assist with pavement surface evaluation and rating (PASER) data collection for the 2022 data collection season.

## TAMC Adopts 3-Year Strategic Work Program

On January 5, the Michigan Transportation Asset Management Council (TAMC) held its first meeting of 2022 and wasted no time in setting directives for the program. The first order of action was the adoption of the 2022-2024 TAMC Strategic Work Program. This program guides the goals, objectives and strategic priorities of the TAMC for the next three years and is foundational to TAMC's trainings, policies and activities. This three-year work program is an outcome of the 2021 TAMC Strategic Planning meeting held on August 4, 2021 as well as the ongoing engagement of TAMC committees that administer the TAMC program.

## TAMC Updates Data Collection and Asset Management Plan Submittal and Review Policies

Last year (2021) TAMC modified the Policy for Roadway Condition Data Collection by reducing the required PASER data collection team from three (3) members to two (2) members and amended the training requirements for PASER participation. This has been called a "pilot" policy as TAMC continues to monitor the performance of the rating teams data against the Quality Review data set. In 2021 TAMC also set a target for collecting data on 100% of Michigan's Federal Aid eligible network. For 2022, TAMC adopted an updated roadway data collection policy on January 5 that maintains the minimum 2-member rating team for Federal Aid ratings, however the policy returns to the previous goal of collecting no less than 50% of Michigan's Federal Aid eligible network.

TAMC also responded to legislative changes to Public Act 51 as it relates to the submission of local agency Transportation Asset Management Plans (TAMP). The main changes to the <u>Policy for Submittal and Review of Asset Management Plans for Roads, Bridges and Transportation Infrastructure</u> is the identification of procedures for managing the submittal and review processes for agencies with less than 100 miles, as well as incorporating directives from <u>Public Act 164 of 2020</u>.

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### **Bridges & Culverts**

TAMC also approved a few changes to the Policy for Collection of Bridge Condition Data for 2022. Under the guidance of the TAMC Bridge Committee, TAMC approved changes to elements of the Asset Management program for bridges. These changes were the result of further evaluation of critical bridge infrastructure impacts upon the safety and welfare of roadway travel which recommended adding non-roadway bridges that are located within public roadway rights-of-way (such as trail or pedestrian bridge structures) and tunnels. Additional changes include partnering with RPA/MPOs to utilize the Asset Management program resource for assisting with expenses of bridge inspections as well as reference to the recently created TAMC Non-National Bridge Inventory Culvert Inspection Guide for use on structures less than 20 feet in length. As it relates to culverts, a reminder that TAMC has also launched Asset Management program for culverts, continuing the effort from previous years including adoption of a Policy for Collection of Culvert Inventory and Condition Data and ongoing training.

### **2022 Training Schedules**

PASERPavement Surface Evaluation & Rating (PASER) / Inventory-based Rating (IBR) Training Schedule
TAMC Investment Reporting Tool (IRT) Training Schedule
Culvert Asset Management Training Schedule
TAMP Training Schedule in process

The TAMC is updating the 2022 TAMP training and you can find those dates and other TAMC sponsored training events at the <u>Center for Technology and Training</u>.

TAMC will be announcing the date of our 20 years of TAMC Conference in the very near future, please stay tuned for these updates. Also, TAMC individual or organization award nominations information will be provided soon. We look forward to celebrating our commitment to asset management together!

We appreciate all of your patience and on-going commitments to asset management.

Questions can be directed to Roger Belknap, TAMC Coordinator by calling (517) 230-8192 or by email <a href="mailto:belknapr@michigan.gov">belknapr@michigan.gov</a>. To learn more about TAMC and to access road and bridge condition data and maps, visit <a href="https://www.Michigan.gov/TAMC">www.Michigan.gov/TAMC</a>.

Sincerely,

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